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Africa Must Encourage Competition—Study

African countries need to allow more competition in their economies and deepen reform in the financial and labour sectors in order to sharpen their global competitiveness, a key researcher has said in a study.

Preliminary findings of a team drafting the forthcoming African Competitive Report 2007, indicate that the continent should further push reforms in its tax and legal systems and address corruption problems in order to gain a competitive edge, said Waheed Oshikoya, director of the African Development Banks (AfDB) research department.

The 2007 report will be a product of the co-operation between the bank, the Switzerland-based World Economic Forum and the World Bank. This is the first time that the AfDB and the World Bank are involved in publishing the report, as the first three reports were brought out by the World Economic Forum alone.

The report, which has seven chapters will also provide country profiles and examine many aspects of Africa's business environment, such as productivity and investment drivers. Issues ranging from the effect of gender disparities, employment and competitiveness, to the role of new technologies in fostering a more dynamic business environment will also be examined in the report.

Infrastructure is still one of the continent's top constraints with regard to energy, transportation in particular, and that access to finance was also a major hurdle for African businesses, he said.

He also said the report would suggest that institutions in Africa needed to be more business friendly and also noted that corruption remained an obstacle for many African countries.

He said Africa offered many examples of success, but sub-Saharan African still lagged behind on the global competitiveness index, primarily due to basics such as infrastructure and education. Labour reforms and tax regulations, the researcher said, were some of the areas tat Africa needed to look at.

The report will assess the competitiveness of the investment climate in Africa's four largest economies, namely South Africa, Algeria, Nigeria, and Egypt which account for half of the continent's gross domestic product and almost one-third of its population. The preliminary findings showed that the four countries had both the size and the scale to be major drivers of Africa's economic growth.

See Daily Graphic May 23, 2007 for full article.

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Golf: How to Get Started

Golf is a great game: sometimes rewarding, often frustrating but highly addictive. Getting started in it is actually not so difficult, and hopefully this article can help you avoid some of the common pitfalls.

The very first steps. The biggest mistake made by people wanting to start in golf is to rush out and buy a brand new set of shiny and expensive golf clubs. While they are nice to look at you should keep in mind that today's golf equipment comes in great varieties to cater for different golfing types and abilities. Since you're just starting out you do not know which set fits you best. Just imagine the envious looks you get at the driving range when you come with your \$2000 set, and the subsequent laughter when you try and just 'hack away' - not worth the embarrassment!

Once you spend a few hundred or even thousands of dollars on a set that doesn't suit your style you're stuck with it or you have to sell it to somebody else at a loss. If you feel you want your own clubs get a half set. This generally comprises five irons and perhaps two woods and a putter. Usually the irons are the odd numbers 3,5,7,9 and wedge. These clubs are more than enough to get you started. A better alternative: most driving ranges will have clubs for hire, so you can try out a few different ones. You can also borrow one or two clubs from a friend. The shortest iron (nine iron) or a wedge are the best clubs to start, practicing with it will give you the feeling of hitting the ball in the air and should be fairly straight forward.

Where to get golf clubs? Most Pro shops and driving ranges sell second hand clubs. They will also be able to offer you advice and let you try some clubs out. Alternatively, nearly all driving ranges will have clubs for hire if you want to have a go without committing to a set until you get the hang of it. Or ask other people at the driving range, you will soon find out that many have another set of clubs at home because they made the exact same mistakes I mentioned above. Make sure you try before you buy, if they fit (and only if they fit!) you can often get them for a steal. Make use of these opportunities, and also take a look at our website, LearnAboutGolf.com, as to how to choose a club. I again stress that you need to have a basic understanding on which club suits you reasonably well before you buy. DO NOT buy expensive brands at this stage.

"I want to play, I want to play!" As hard as it will be to contain yourself, don't even contemplate going anywhere near a golf course. Golf is technically quite demanding, and without at least some basic training you'll end up with a lot of frustration. You've seen the top players on TV losing their cool in frustration, imagine how you will feel if not even a single shot goes where you want it to. Besides, the other people having to wait for you will also not be happy. As a beginner at the great game of golf, start off at a driving range, take at least four or five lessons, learn the fundamentals, progress to a 9 hole course and eventually venture out into the great unknown of an 18 hole golf course. Believe me, it will be a lot more fun for you and those around you if you follow this path.

Where to get lessons? You will meet plenty of people at the range who will teach you the 'innermost secrets' of golf. Fact is that most of them have started playing not long before you. So the answer to the above question is: go to a Professional. As you have seen on TV, even the world's top players have a coach. Tiger Woods, probably the best golfer the world, still takes lessons. Certified Golf Professionals are the only people qualified to teach you how to play the game. Lessons from a Pro will cost you money but will be the best investment you'll ever make. Taking the advice from the 'know-it-all' people at the range will likely screw-up your game at the very early stage, and it will take a long time to correct the faults later. The two places to get golf lessons are at driving ranges and golf clubs. You don't have to be a member of a club to get a lesson from the Pro. You bring in money, so they will be glad to help. The usual cost is about \$25-40 per 45 min, but you will get reductions for a block booking. If you are a bit on the budget see if they do group bookings, those are also cheaper than individual lessons.

What else to do? Books and videos can be invaluable in learning the basics. To build a sound golf swing you will need the three fundamentals: Grip, Stance and Posture. There are some very good books and videos on the market that will help you to establish the three fundamentals. And watch the Pro's on the TV, or better still video them and play back in slow motion, you'll learn a lot this way. Don't get blinded by too much science, you're still a beginner. Stick to Grip, Stance and Posture and you'll be on your way. Take a look at the golf tips and golf lessons on our website, LearnAboutGolf.com, for some advice as well.

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AROUND TOWN

North American Women's Association (NAWA) promotes friendship among North American women, and between North American & Ghanaian women. NAWA fundraises for charitable organizations that support women and children in Ghana. Meetings are held on the **second Thursday of each month**, between September and May. Join us at **6:45pm** at the **Coconut Regency Hotel**. Look forward to meeting new friends, supporting worthy causes in Ghana and participating in cultural and social activities. The NAWA published book, *No More Worries*, can be found in stores throughout Ghana. Check the www.noworriesghana.com website or go to www.nawaghana.com. Call secretary Carol Pietryk at 0242 108273 (email: icpietryk@yahoo.ca) or president Monica Carr at 021271040 for further information. "You are welcome."

Ghana International Women's Club Formed in 1980 with the intention of establishing a strong bond of friendship among 'women of the world', and fostering a better understanding of one another's cultures. Members organize fundraising events and volunteer work. Monthly meetings every 2nd Wed. (Venue TBA)

Ghana Bead Society Develop knowledge, appreciation, and interest in beads in Ghana, both from a traditional and contemporary point of view. Monthly meetings at the DuBois Center, East Cantonments; 4:30 pm, first Thursday of each month. Contact Trish Graham at 764-349 or e-mail: trish_graham@hotmail.com.

Alliance Française Provides French classes for children and adults, and hosts numerous cultural events. Located on Liberation Link Road, Airport Residential. Tel: 773-134.

American Chamber of Commerce promotes commercial, economic, educational and cultural ties between the U.S. and Ghana. Their regular luncheon meetings are on the last Wednesday of the month at La Palm from 12-2:30. Tel: 247-562, 024-251-605. E-mail: amchamgh@ghana.com; Website: www.amcham_africa.org. Located at Hse #C609/3 5th Crescent St, Asylum Down.

Scottish Country Dancing The Caledonian Society of Ghana: Scottish Country dancing is back. All are welcome to join in at the Grasscutters club, every Tuesday night from 7.30pm. For more information call 0244 069 169 or e mail caledonianghana@yahoo.co.uk

Accragio, a singing group open to expatriates and Ghanaians, is preparing its next program and welcoming all new singers, especially altos and tenors. For more information, please contact Rodger French: deluxevaude-

ville@earthlink.net or 024-664-9487.

Energize yourself and reduce stress with **Hatha Yoga** at YMCA Mon-Wed-Friday, 5:30 pm - 7 pm. Contact Peace on 024-422-6079 or 775-348 ext. 4277.

The International Players The International Players is a local amateur dramatic group that performs publicly. Anyone interested in amateur theater is invited to participate. For information contact: Trish Graham at 764-349 or e-mail: trish_graham@hotmail.com.

Theater Mirrors. A local Ghanaian acting troupe, begun in 1986, whose members perform every Friday night at **Bywel Bar**, located across the street from Sotrec Grocery in Osu. Admission is free. 8 PM. The acting group is also available for private performances. Call 024-678956 for details.

Ghana National Theatre Monthly Symphony Program "Sunday at Five" held the last Sunday of every month **is now at Christ the King Parish Hall due to renovations.** Still at 5 pm, still a bargain at 20,000 cedis, 665-735 or 663-467.

Friends of Bill W. Meet Monday evenings 7-8 pm near the Cathedral in Adabraka. Contact Ludwin 020-2018540 or Lydia 024-611385.

Happy Hour Fridays at 5:30 pm an informal group meets for unwinding at the Labone Coffee Shop. All are welcome.

Hash House Harriers (Accra) The Hash House Harriers has been described as a '*drinking group with a running problem.*' However, non-drinkers and walkers are welcome. The Hash runs every Monday, with a 5:15 pm sharp departure. Location varies. Contact ac-crahhh@yahoo.com for details.

Hash House Harriers (Tema) is composed of Ghanaians and expats in and around the Tema area and welcome families with children. Every Thursday at 5:15 April thru October and 5:00 pm November thru March. Contact Frank Davis, at frank.davis@valcotema.com or call 020-201-1525 for information on directions to starting point.

Duplicate Bridge group meets every Tuesday night at 7:30. Any questions please contact Gerry Gray Thibodeau for information or to arrange a partner, 021-775-414. (evenings)

Pick-up Basketball Tuesday evenings (6-8 pm) at GIS. Everyone is invited to join the fun. For additional information, please contact Ted Lawrence (tlawrence@usaid.gov) or Rob Clausen (rclausen@usaid.gov). They can also be reached by telephone at 228-440.

Pippa's Health and Fitness Center in Osu runs **Tumble Tots** on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:30-11:45 am for 40,000 cedis a

day. Toddlers can run around, play, and climb on the gym's tumble equipment and meet other toddlers in the area. Parents or nannies are welcome. Call 22 44 88 for more info.

Mom/Dad & Tots (3 and under) at British High Commission Grasscutters Return. Wednesdays 9:30-11:15 am.

Taekwondo at Pippa's Health and Fitness Center. Adults and kids are welcome. Learn from National Champion Master Stephen Yeboah. Call for registration: 22 44 88.

Frisky's International Film Buff Club views films Tuesdays 7pm. Call Ian at 0244 363017 or Katya at 024 329679 for directions or to receive a map by email.

Free Meditation each Wed at 6-7pm. Free pranic healing Wed. 10am-6pm. At the GMCKS Pranic Healing Center, 1st floor, Pyramid House, Ring Road central (Next to Alitalia). Website: www.pranichealing.org Phone: 0275089645 Mythili Raja Mohen

International Spouses Association of Ghana (ISAG) Are you a non-Ghanaian married to a Ghanaian? If yes, then come and meet others in a similar relationship. First Wednesday of every month at 5.30pm at Ghana International School film room. It's fellowship with some serious bits! For more information, contact Judd on 024-476-7063 or Nina on 024-477-8229 or email isag@ighmail.com

The Accra Tema Yacht Club (ATYC) is in Ada on the Volta River, 1½ hours from Accra, close to Manet Paradis Hotel. Races of catamarans and sail boats are held monthly. ATYC has 3 Lasers available for daily or hourly rental, a small bar and four chalets where members may stay overnight. **New members are welcome** as are day visitors for which a nominal daily charge is payable. Contact dmcallagy@gmail.com -or- Duncan.macnicol@asc-gh.com

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African American Association of Ghana (AAAG). General meetings held every third Saturday of the month. 2-4pm at the W.E.B. Dubois Center in Cantonments. For more info call 021-785438 or sankofaaaag@yahoo.com

Fit & Fun Gymnastics Club for children from 2 years and teenagers. Learn the basics of movement improve flexibility, balance and body awareness. Gymnastics helps them learn self discipline, patience and have more self confidence. Call 024 3515889 for info.



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*Monday - Thursday: 08:00
- 16:00*

Friday: 08:00 - 12:00pm

Community News and Events

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Ghana Institute of Journalism 4 week short course in Broadcast Journalism

Tuesday, May 29-
Friday June 25,
2007.

5pm-7pm

Fee: 1.5 million cedis

Children's Christian Storehouse is presenting the "Wizard of KumOZ" on Saturday, June 2nd at 2pm and 4pm show. Gate fee is: Adult: 40,000 cedis, Children: 20,000 Children. Located at Dzorzulu JSS junction. Tel: 0244621189 ccstorehouse@yahoo.com

Ghana @ 50 International District Forum and Exhibition

Theme: Sustainable Development for Rural Communities, A Key to Ghana's Growth in the next 50 years May 30-June 1, 2007

Kwabena Nketia Conference Hall, University of Ghana

Keynote Speaker: The Vice President, H.E. Alhaji Aliu Mahama

Call 021 221621 for more info.

Continued from page 3. **Summary:**

1. Don't waste your money on expensive clubs until you have reached a basic level of competency.
2. Don't go near a Golf Course, again until you have reached a basic level.
3. Get lessons from a qualified professional.
4. Learn the three fundamentals
5. Watch the Pro's.
6. Practice.
7. Learn the rules of golf and the basic golf etiquette .

I hope that this article has been of some help to avoid costly mistakes many people made, including myself. Follow the above basics and you are on your way to all the fun (and frustration) golf can offer. Enjoy!

About the Author...

Frank Peter is the webmaster of [learnaboutgolf.com](http://www.learnaboutgolf.com) where he offers valuable tips for beginners and intermediates in Golf. To find more advice, lessons and resources to help you succeed in your game, visit: <http://www.learnaboutgolf.com>



Opportunities Industrialization Centers—Accra

Presents the 1st annual Community Outreach Day

Theme: "Creating Opportunities, Enhancing Lives"

May 31st-2nd June, 2007, OIC Campus, Shishie-Accra

9am-5pm each day



**BEGINNERS
SALSA LESSONS START TOMORROW!**

**This Friday at 8pm
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Lessons will be every two weeks from Friday 1st June

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Men especially welcome!
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Available - Room for rent - Cantonments Suitable for long term or short term. Room in maid's quarters. Furniture provided. Shower & toilet. Cooking stove/fridge. Possible use of swimming pool. Rent negotiable. Call Kim (024) 910 6358.

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4 BED. HSE IN RINGWAY RES. BIG-COMPOUND. 1ST JULY 2007. \$2000/MONTH PATRICK ON TEL; 02242020581, OR HARRY ON 0277553572

WANTED

Peace: active, willing, hardworking nanny, especially good with babies, will do basic cooking, cleaning, laundry and errands;

Alex: responsible experienced driver with mechanical knowledge, will do other tasks such as shopping and errands;

Timo: housekeeper, will do grounds keeping as well;

Georgina: cook, will do housekeeping as well.

Please call M-J at 024-2965555 for references (2)

Rose is seeking employment as a full-time **cook**. Rose shows alot of initiative, is willing to try new recipes. She is thorough in her work and keeps the kitchen immaculately clean. Please contact her at 024.347.7344. (2)

Reliable and efficient household help wanted. Duties include general cleaning and ironing for 2-3 days per week. No children and no cooking. Call 0244331241 or cguy-james@yahoo.com. (2)

Chef Max Kouessi attended culinary school in Benin. He worked with our family for over a year and we will miss him for his excellent meals and superb organization for everything from small meals to dinner parties and large functions. He can be reached at 0244-703-911. For reference please call Dylan at 0244-311-901.

Interested in sharing household help? **Douglas, our cook/gardener/housecleaner**, is available part time. He speaks French and English and specializes in tortillas and desserts. Contact Melissa at 024-432-9950 for information. (3)

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Male housekeeper needed for general cleaning and ironing. Some light outside work. Must be dependable and experienced. No cooking and no children. Contact 786-689 and provide references.(3)

Experienced Gardener: Our gardener "Power" has been working for us for 2 years. He is an excellent and a very knowledgeable gardener who also does miscellaneous work around the house. He is highly reliable and trustworthy and has worked for other Embassy staff over the years. Please call Power directly at 0288213783, or call me Tasneem, at 0242209377 for a reference.

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Excellent gardener, Samuel Dei, who is looking for part time employment. They can contact Gail at 0244311944.

Housekeeper/Cook with 10 years experience available for full time. Judith Gobbo can cook a wide variety of dishes, and keep your house clean as well. References available. Call Judith directly at either 0287265360 or 0243725610.(2)

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- 5 ½ foot rattan light stain mirror with shelf for hanging; 150,000
- 5 tier light stain wooden shoe rack: 150,000
- White metal/chrome expandable drying clothes rack; 500,000
- Black with grey upholstered visitors chair (use at computer desk); 600,000
- White 2 slice Binatone toaster; 150,000
- Tamachi 2.0 HP split air conditioner with burglar proof; 4,300,000
- Four drawer 4'4" refurbished standing hanging metal file
- Cabinet 2 tone grey with some hanging folders 550,000

Miscellaneous kitchen utensils; TBD

Contact to arrange viewing @ 024 364 4949, 022 414 685 or email: barbaralperry@yahoo.com.

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Interested candidates should apply separately for each position to:

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- 2) The USAID/West Africa Secretary Position

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CLOSING DATE: June 1, 2007



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